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Application of

K. Jain

Serial Number

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Title

COMPACT, HIGH-EFFICIENCY, ENERGY-

RECYCLING ILLUMINATION SYSTEM

Subject

Traverse of Restriction and

Provisional Election Pursuant to Restriction

Date

December 22, 2005

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Applicant, advised by counsel of the requirement to make an election, traverses the Restriction in accordance with the rule stated in 37 CFR 1.143 and MPEP 8.18,03 and following, preserves the right to petition from the restriction, and provisionally elects the grouping of figures identified as follows:

"Species 1-Figs. 2-4, and 27"

In the matter of the above-captioned patent application, the Examiner provides a 14-way restriction based entirely on figures groupings. Applicant traverses the restriction in its entirety, on the ground of lack of necessity under all double patenting rules, and on the secondary ground of absence of separateness and distinctness as required by MPEP 806C. Further, Applicant pleads that — even if the 14-way restriction might be partially — or even wholly — within the discretion of the Examiner and therefore not reversible error—the Examiner exercise his jurisdiction to waive all restriction in this case in the interests of justice and mutual economy.

For reasons to be explained in the Remarks, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to include Figs. 1, 5-7, 13-19 and 28 in the figures grouping elected, which is identified as "Species 1" but lists only Figs. 2-4 and 27.

The Examiner did not provide any grouping of claims. Counsel urges the Examiner to include in this provisionally-elected grouping the following sets of claims, each set headed by an independent claim which counsel represents as "generic."

Claim 1 set, Claim 4 set, and new Claim 79 set. Each of these sets includes a generic claim and respectively- dependent claims listed in the following table

Dependent on Claim 1	Dependent on Claim 4	Dependent on Claim 79
12-14, 17-20, 23,	5-12, 21	80-82
12-14; 17-20; 22-23;		
26-34; 38; 52-56		

Note: Each of the fourteen figure groupings in the restriction includes one to four of 32 total figures (Figures 1-28 plus Figures 6A, 11A, 16A and 20A). Figures 1, 5, 7 and 14 were not included in any of the fourteen figure groupings. Counsel has included Figure 1 in this election, in the same figure group as Figures 2-4 and 27, subject to approval by the Examiner.

The Examiner has stated "Currently, there appear to be no claims ... which are considered generic." Counsel asks that the Examiner reconsider Claim 1, Claim 4 and new Claim 79, and find them to be generic. Reasons for such "generic" findings are to be included in the Remarks.

Counsel thanks the Examiner for the discussion by telephone December 13, 2005. This discussion will be very helpful in reconciling the restriction by figure groupings with the necessary grouping of actual claims. In nearly fifty years of practice, this is counsel's first experience with such restriction by figure groupings and he was reluctant to provide his own claim groupings absent specific authority in MPEP or rules.

The Examiner has made no designation of class and subclass. Counsel suggests Class 355 / subclass 67. Counsel also suggests that all figure groupings in the 14-way restriction, despite nuancial differences displayed, are properly included in a single search in the files of an examining division dealing with industrial optics.

Applicant has made a provisional election. Applicant, however, traverses the restriction on grounds of absence of necessity, absence of double patenting, and presence of increasing confusion to the public projected from the likelihood of multiple virtually-identical divisional applications. Applicant also requests that the Examiner exercise his discretion to waive all restriction requirements in this case on grounds of elimination of huge costs both to applicant and to the USPTO, and also to avoid confusion to the public

through likely proliferation of heavily-overlapping, virtually-identical patent coverage.

Such confusion to the public is predictable from resulting divisional applications required to preserve minimum coverage of the invention.

Counsel has been unable to reconcile any claim grouping with the figure groupings provided by the Examiner. Counsel acknowledges that the MPEP authorizes such figure groupings at MPEP 809.02(a) as pointed out by the Examiner, but asks for reconsideration because there is no identifiable relationship between such figure groupings and actual embodiments, much less relationship between such figure groupings and actual claim groupings. Indeed, there now are fourteen claims presented independently, but such independent claims do not in any way form in groups to match the fourteen figure groupings.

Counsel respectfully traverses the restriction in its entirety.

If the Examiner persists in the fourteen-way restriction, or even amends it down to a two-way restriction or some intermediate restriction, the Examiner is asked to provide the following, in compliance with the spirit of MPEP 816-817:

- 1. An examination on the merits for all claims remaining per the election.
- 2. A concise statement, for each identified species, of the particular reasons relied on by the Examiner that the inventions as claimed are either independent or distinct.
 - 3. If the Examiner should rely on combination/subcombination as reason for